AWIPS SOFTWARE INSTALLATION INSTRUCTION NOTE 44

(for Electronics Systems Analysts)

Maintenance, Logistics, and Acquisition Division

W/OPS12: JCS

SUBJECT : Maintenance Release OB2.2

PURPOSE : To provide installation instructions for Maintenance Release OB2.2

AFFECTED SITES : All AWIPS sites must install this maintenance release.

REQUIREMENTS

PREINSTALLATION: AWIPS Software Maintenance Release OB2.1 must be installed.

AUTHORIZATION : The authority for this modification note is Request for Change AB729.

MROB2 SEC A100440

SECURITY LEVEL : root

ESTIMATED TIME

REQUIRED

: Approximately 10-15 minutes for the maintenance release, 20 to 30 minutes for the execution of localization, and 30 to 60 minutes for the

execution of "push" script; based on number of workstations.

INSTRUCTIONS

EFFECT ON OTHER: File this note in EHB-13, Series II, section 3.1. Discard all previous software installation instructions, prior to Build OB1 (AWIPS Software

Installation Instruction Note 37) in section 3.1.

VERIFICATION

STATEMENT

: The Maintenance Release OB2.2 installation procedures were tested and verified at NMTW (Silver Spring, MD), BIS (Bismark WFO, ND),

GYX (Portland WFO, ME), PBP (Pacific Region HQR), PDT

(Pendleton WFO, OR), REV (Reno WFO, NV), RNK (Roanoke WFO,

VA), SHV (Shreveport, LA), and SJT (San Angelo, TX)

TECHNICAL SUPPORT

: For questions or problems regarding these installation instructions or

installing this release, please contact the NCF at 301-713-9344.

GENERAL:

A. MROB2.2 Patch Summary

- 1. Extraneous space character in product causes errors for HWR broadcast (DR# 12805 -MDL A100414)
- 2. Extend Eta 12km surface and BL forecast times to 84 hrs (DR# 12870 FSL A100417)
- 3. Extend AVN CONUS scale forecast times to 168 hrs plus add new levels (DR# 12872 -FSL A100418) *

- WWA: Editable text window, no popup editors, allow word wrap (DR# 12983,13235 -MDL A100419)
- 5. WFOA: Text Version is not working (DR# 13009 SEC A100420)
- WWA: Text pushing to adjacent sites and update Status Struct (DR# 13024,13271 -MDL A100421)
- 7. Local Warnings display of products lacking LAT/LON line hangs IGC (DR# 13037 FSL A100422)
- 8. LSR Patch (DR# 13085,13191,13276 MDL A100412)
- 9. Use correct header for Eastern North Pacific (ENP) model (DR# 13087 FSL A100423)
- 10 WarnGen follow-up capability for Western Region Flash Flood Warnings (DR# 13330 FSL A100427)
- 11 WFOA: Discontinuities in GOES Satellite Imagery Loops (DR# 13221 NGIT A100428)
- 12 LDAD Not Ingesting Incoming Products (DR# 13206 SEC_A100429)
- 13 HWR: NWR product seg faults when station substitution occurs (DR# 13285 MDL A100430)
- 14 CLI: In display GUI, text fields too large for corresponding row (DR# 13208 MDL A100431)
- 15 IFPS forecast Verification data not getting into Verification Matrix (DR# 13212 MDL A100432)
- 16 AF: VIRtest could send incorrect alarms to the NCF (DR# 13228 NGIT A100424)
- 17 Need utility to monitor RAID on Linux CP (DR# 13229 NGIT_A100425)
- 18 Linux OS changes required for ITO to work (DR# 13230 NGIT_A100433)
- 19 Linux RiverPro crashes under certain product generation instructions (DR# 13247 OHD A100434)
- 20 ECMF grids are failing to decode (DR# 13246 NGIT A100435)
- 21 WWA memory leaks. Value could be corrupted when WWA uses 'wwamyPIL' (DR# 13253 MDL A100436)
- 22 SSH/SSL: CERT Advisory CA-2003-26 Compliance (DR# 13261 NGIT_A100438)
- 23 Update acq_pattern for TPC hurricane model 54 and 66 hr only (DR# 13267 FSL A100439)
- 24 Problem displaying All Tilts when using Previous Run option (DR# 13295 FSL A100413)

ROB2.2 Detailed Description:

- 1 Extraneous space character in product causes errors for HWR broadcast (DR# 12805 MDL_A100414)
 - In the NWR products, an extra space character occurs before certain commas in the text. This causes an error in the HWR radio broadcast, since it will say the word "comma" every time these space characters are encountered in the text product.
- 2 Extend Eta 12km surface and BL forecast times to 84 hrs (DR# 12870 FSL_A100417) Currently, the 12km Eta grids only go out thru 60 hour forecasts. The patch will allow for storage of forecast grids out to 84 hours. This involves adding new forecast times to the eta218.cdl and the eta242.cdl (Alaska). Additional 12km Eta grids will be available for forecast times 63, 66, 69, 72, 75, 78, 81, and +84 hours.

- 3 Extend AVN CONUS scale forecast times to 168 hrs plus add new levels (DR# 12872 FSL_A100418) *
 - Currently, the AVN 211 CONUS grids only go out thru 120 hour forecasts. The patch will allow for storage of forecast grids out to 168 hours. This involves adding new forecast times to the avn211.cdl. Additional AVN 211 grids will be available for forecast times 126, 132, 138, 144, 150, 156, 162, and 168 hours.
 - Add several new upper air levels for existing parameters (Relative Humidity, Temp, U + V Wind Components, + Height) to support GFE. Additional levels are at 80km Sfc, BL (0-30, 30-60, 60-90, 90-120, 150-180) 1000-500 x 25 mb, 500-100 x 50 mb (Z, T, u, v, RH).
 - This is the initial step in the conversion from AVN/MRF models to the GFS model
 - There will be a new '.cdl' for Alaska.
- 4 WWA: Editable text window, no popup editors, allow word wrap (DR# 12983,13235 MDL A100419)
 - Based on field requests, the WWA transmit interface text widget needs to be made editable. This will allow forecasters a last view of the generated WWA product and also provides an opportunity to make any last minute changes before sending. Virtual segment popup editors and headline editors are no longer needed once the xmit interface text widget becomes editable. These features need to be removed from the operational interaction with WWA, but kept in the code for possible use later.
 - When adding text to the WWA XMIT window, text should automatically word wrap. If the user does not manually add carriage returns to long lines of text, all text will not be visible when viewed from a text window.
- 5 WFOA: Text Version is not working (DR# 13009 SEC_A100420)
 The text version on the fxatext database is not working correctly. Once the user has used the 'textdb -v' command to reduce the number of versions-to-keep for a given product in the database, a design flaw prevents the user from being able to increase the versions-to-keep value for that product in the future.
- 6 WWA: Text pushing to adjacent sites and update Status Struct (DR# 13024,13271 MDL A100421)
 - Passing captured text to adjacent WFOs requires some prep work prior to the OB3 release. This prep work will cover for intersite data passing between different builds such as OB2 and OB3.
 - As part of the prep work, the WWA intersite functionality needs to be modified so that the function continues to work properly when adjacent sites are mixed between OB2 and OB3.
- 7 Local Warnings display of products lacking LAT/LON line hangs IGC (DR# 13037 FSL A100422)
 - The correction for this problem will be handled via a Post Installation Procedure.
 - Several sites have reported problems with the Local Warnings display. In some cases, the IGC_Process hangs or crashes. Investigation and testing strongly suggest

that warnings lacking a LAT...LON line are the culprit. The only problem products seen at field sites are FFWs; those generated using WWA do not carry LAT...LON, while those from offices using WarnGen do carry LAT...LON, and display successfully. This problem occurs only on HP workstations. Based on limited testing, the presence or absence of a VTEC line seems to have no bearing on the issue. (See workaround in Part F of this document.)

- 8 LSR Patch (DR# 13085,13191,13276 MDL A100412)
 - which keeps the localCities file from being read. Corrected the stream being read to account for extra characters found in some national Citiesinfo.txt files. Used pre-existing LSR_OCONUS_headers.txt file for all WFOS (not just OCONUS) and added some error handling.
 - LSR: Practice WMO headers are incorrect. A late requirement for a change in WMO headers emerged and needs to be handled in the LSR GUI (for practice mode) in OB2. LSR WMO headers will change in December 2003. Currently, the GUI uses NWUS30 for all CONUS LSR text products. According to the new directives, the number in that WMO header will be changing to a number in the 50s (52 to 56), depending on the site/region. The LSR GUI will be able to transmit LSR products without any problem, but if practice mode is used, the products will be stored to the database with the wrong WMO headers.
 - Summary vs. Correction. A late requirement for the handling of a Summary LSR emerged and needs to be handled in the LSR GUI in OB2. The LSR Preview GUI must provided a summary option. The LSR text product must be able to be transmitted in 'summary' form. Currently, the 'correction' form is the only option that is available when an event has already been transmitted.
- 9 Use correct header for Eastern North Pacific (ENP) model (DR# 13087 FSL_A100423) The WMO ID for the ENP grid in the 'acq_patterns.template' file is not correct. The third letter of the WMO ID should be 'Q' instead of 'P'.
- 10 WarnGen follow-up capability for Western Region Flash Flood Warnings (DR# 13330 FSL_A100427)
 Implement a WarnGen follow_up capability for Western Region Flash Flood Warnings.
- 11 WFOA: Discontinuities in GOES Satellite Imagery Loops (DR# 13221 NGIT_A100428) Since the 12 Aug 2003 convergence of the SBN's GOES East and West channels, the GOES satellite loops at some sites, and at certain D-2D scales, have become discontinuous ("jittery"). The more problematic scales are CONUS and North American. The problem is characterized by satellite loops that do not flow well (i.e., the cloud features appear to follow irregular trajectories). Some monitoring and analysis of this problem indicates that the problem has at least two causes:
 - a) subtle mapping differences between the CONUS sectors (i.e., TIGE and TIGW) and the SuperNational sectors (i.e., TIGN). In the new, converged SBN scenario, these two image sectors are often interleaved in CONUS-scale satellite views.

b) Old/stale sensor data in sequential SuperNational sectors. This problem was only infrequently seen prior to the SBN convergence because each SBN channel only carried every alternate image. The workaround is to view the full resolution imagery on the more-local D-2D scales (e.g., Regional, states, or WFO), where the problem has not been detected.

This change updates the SBN CP acqparms.sbn filter files to remove problematic two-GOES composites (including SuperNational & Northern Hemisphere sectors). The change also filters CONUS sectors from the site's non-primary GOES spacecraft. The change substantially reduces a "jitteryness" problem with satellite loops at CONUS, North American, and Northern Hemisphere D-2D scales. Two files will be added to the baseline: acqparms.sbn.east and acqparms.sbn.west. The appropriate east or west file will be copied to acqparms.sbn based on the contents of the /awips/fxa/data/localizationDataSets/<siteID>/whichSat.txt file. Sites will receive only two sets of SuperNational and two sets of Northern Hemisphere sectors per hour rather than four sets of each. Sites will receive CONUS imagery only from their primary GOES (i.e., East or West), not both GOES spacecrafts.

12 LDAD Not Ingesting Incoming Products (DR# 13206 - SEC_A100429)

If there are more than 10 products in /data/Incoming on the LS, some will not be transferred to the DS. The products are erroneously moved to the /data/ldad/Processed directory without being processed. This situation occurs due to a restriction on the AWIPS Gauntlet firewall which does not allow more than 10 concurrent rcp/remsh/rlogin sessions. If the restriction of 10 concurrent rcp/remsh/rlogin sessions is reached when the listener process attempts to copy a product from LS1 to DS1, the listener process accurately recognizes the copy (rcp) failure. Unfortunately, the listener does not make any subsequent attempts to copy the failed product. The listener allows the product which had the one time copy (rcp) failure to be erroneously moved to the /data/ldad/Processes directory even though the product was not copied.

The correction is to limit the number of outstanding transfers managed by newLDADdataNotification to 10 and to make the listener retry three times to transfer a product.

13 HWR: NWR product seg faults when station substitution occurs (DR# 13285 - MDL A100430)

When creating an NWR product, if no METAR is available for a station, the station substitution ability fails. NWR generates a segmentation fault and the product is not created.

- 14 CLI: In display GUI, text fields too large for corresponding row (DR# 13208 MDL A100431)
 - The correction for this problem will be handled via a Post Installation Procedure.
 - As a consequence of the conversion from HP-UX to Linux, the text fields in the "Display Daily Climate Values" GUI are too large for their corresponding rows. The last field (Average Wind Speed) does not appear in the interface, thus making it impossible for the user to edit it. (See workaround in Part F of this document.)
- 15 IFPS forecast Verification data not getting into Verification Matrix (DR# 13212 MDL A100432)

Data fails to be processed with IFPS15 and non-Multiple Domain Configuration. The Verification processing of new digital data stopped once IFPS15 was installed at sites that had not configured a Multiple Domain configuration. The verification software is being confused by a leading space in the value of the \$IFPS_DOMAINS environment variable. In a multiple domain situation, a space is used to separate the two IDs.

- 16 AF: VIRtest could send incorrect alarms to the NCF (DR# 13228 NGIT_A100424)
 There have been several occasion in the field where the 'VIRtest' script sends incorrect
 alarms to the NCF concerning the VIR switches. This is caused by a failure of the 'cu'
 command when attempting to connect. This condition is transient and a subsequent retries
 are successful. The script is being updated to retry three times before reporting a problem.
- 17 Need utility to monitor RAID on Linux CP (DR# 13229 NGIT_A100425)
 Currently, there is not a way to monitor the RAID array on a Linux CP without rebooting the CP and entering the boot RAID utility. There is a need for a command line utility to monitor the RAID array and report problems to the NCF (via ITO) while the CP is operational. Such a tool has recently been released by Red Hat.
- 18 Linux OS changes required for ITO to work (DR# 13230 NGIT_A100433)

 As part of the Workstation Replacement activity, AWIPS will be transferring the ITO agents used to monitor workstations from the HP platforms to the Linux platforms. In order to allow the installation and maintenance of this tool, some Linux operating system changes are required.

The following files are being modified within the Linux baseline by this update:

- a) /etc/xinetd.d/rexec
- b) /etc/ftpusers
- c) /etc/snmp/snmpd.conf

19 Linux RiverPro crashes under certain product generation instructions (DR# 13247 - OHD A100434)

RiverPro crashes when creating a product on Linux. When using a quoted literal string for the format specifier, via the FORMATS: instruction, in the Tabular section, the formatter ignores the format instruction. The root cause of the crash has been identified as a string overflow that could occur under certain format instructions in the tabular section of the product generation instructions. This was observed at San Juan during the Workstation Replacement OAT.

- 20 ECMF grids are failing to decode (DR# 13246 NGIT_A100435)

 The ECMF Grids are failing to decode with the following errors from the GribDecoder log:

 "...GribTableRoutines.C PROBLEM: Table gribModelsECMF_ed1.txt is empty...". The file gribModelsECMF_ed1.txt is missing from /awips/fxa/data on the PXs. The file is no longer being released with the Linux baseline. In the future, this file will be released to all platforms.
- 21 WWA memory leaks. Value could be corrupted when WWA uses 'wwamyPIL' (DR# 13253 MDL_A100436)
 In the SetText function of transmit.C, the global variable 'wwamyPIL' is assigned a new PIL

value to be used later. 'wwamyPIL' is set by using "wwamyPIL as signed a new PIL oriented programming, but in this instance 'wwa' is a structure and myPIL is one of its elements which is declared as a char*. 'wwamyPIL' actually points to a local string. When the function returns, the memory that stores the PIL value could be collected by the OS and reallocate. Thus when WWA wants to use 'wwamyPIL', the value could be corrupted.

- 22 SSH/SSL: CERT Advisory CA-2003-26 Compliance (DR# 13261 NGIT A100438)
 - SSH must be patched to be compliant with CA-2003-26 and CA-2003-24. This patch will address recently discovered security vulnerabilities in SSH.
 - CERT Advisory CA-2003-26 (Multiple Vulnerabilities in SSL...) states that one of the reported SSL vulnerabilities could conceivably allow execution of malicious code. SSH uses at least one SSL library, so SSH may incorporate this vulnerability. This update contains the rebuilt SSH (patched for CA-2003-24) with the patched SSL library.
- 23 Update acq_pattern for TPC hurricane model 54 and 66 hr only (DR# 13267 FSL_A100439)

The current acq_patterns.txt file on the PXs do not have the correct pattern to ingest this data. For CONUS only, the 54hr and 66hr forecast time for the TPC Hurricane Wind Model has the following WMO Headers:

ZUMM98KNHC

ZVMM98KNHC

ZUMN98KNHC

ZVMN98KNHC

24 Problem displaying All Tilts when using Previous Run option (DR# 13295 - FSL_A100413) When working with D2D, changing the option from "Valid Time Seq" to "Previous Run", and then loading any "All Tilts", disables stepping through the various elevation angles. D2D displays the highest tilt and will not allow you to go through the other elevations.

B. Pre-installation Guidelines

- 1. ROB2.1 **must** be installed.
- 2. Check http://www.ops1.nws.noaa.gov/awips_softwre.htm web page for the lessons learned document for this release.
- 3. Logout of all the D2D sessions on BOTH HP workstations and Linux platforms.
- 4. Logout of all the Text Workstations.
- 5. The localization-related files on DS1 must be in "baseline condition" or else a corrupt localization will be propagated throughout.

This completes the pre-installation procedure.

^{*} The patch will be activated when the extended hours of AVN data is available.

C. Maintenance Release Download and DS1 Installation Procedure

1. At a workstation, open a telnet window and log into DS1 as root:

2. Change to the /data/local/ROB2.2 directory:

3. Create a script output log file:

4. Uncompress the release bundle:

5. Run the installation script by typing:

```
./installROB2.2
```

6. Stop the output script:

This completes the maintenance release download and DS1 installation procedure.

D. Post Installation Configuration Checkout Procedure

Check the .out file for any files that may not have been removed or copied correctly. (Check for the following: cannot write: Text file busy)

Type:

grep busy ROB2.2.out

If any files were not removed correctly, delete them manually.

NOTE:

- Users can log back into their workstations at this time. Following the localization steps, it is recommended that users log out of all sessions again and back into their workstations. This will enable the latest localization changes.
- 2. Part E (Localization and Push Script Procedure) can be performed on another day. The procedure takes 50 minutes to 90 minutes to complete.

This completes the maintenance release Post Installation procedure.

E. Localization and Push Script Procedure

NOTE:

- Following the localization steps, users should log out of ALL sessions and back into their workstation. This will enable the latest localization changes.
- 4. To enable the corrections for items #2, #3, #9, and #23, the following steps need to be performed after the installation.
- 1. On DS1 as user fxa, execute the following "forced" localization:

```
rlogin ds1 -l root
su - fxa
cd /awips/fxa/data/localization/scripts
./mainScript.csh f -grids -auxFiles -dirs
exit
```

2. Upon successful localization, On DS1 as user root, execute the following "push" script.

```
rlogin ds1 -l root
cd /data/local/ROB2.2
script -a push_localization_ROB2.2.out
./push_localization_ROB2.2
./stopscript
exit
```

This completes the localization and push script procedures.

F. Workaround Procedure

Local Warnings display of products lacking LAT...LON line hangs/crashes IGC (DR_13037)
 Item #7

Just like the SVR and TOR templates, have the <COORDS> flag in your flash flood warning template for Warngen. Have it between the end of the call to action bullets and above the \$. (If you have any questions on this workaround, contact Diane Deitz at (301) 713-9344)

2. CLI: In display GUI, text fields too large for their corresponding row (DR_13208) - Item #14

Until this problem is fixed, the workaround (and this is only needed if the average wind speed needs to be changed) is to directly change the value in the database, using the utility program dbaccess. The SQL command for this is:

update daily_climate set avg_wind_speed = xx.xx

where station_id = nnnnn (as a numeric value) **xx.xx** is the average wind speed in mph.

(For questions on this workaround, contact Gary Battel at (301) 713-0056 x194)

REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS

Report the completed software installation using the Engineering Management Reporting System (EMRS) according to the instructions in NWS Instruction 30-2104, Maintenance Documentation, Part 4, Appendix F. Include the following information on the EMRS Report:

Block #	Block Type	Information
5	Description	Install AWIPS Maintenance Release OB2.2 (patch bundle # MROB2_SEC_A100440)
7	Equipment Code	AWIPS
8	Serial Number	001
15	Comments	Installed Maintenance Release OB2.2 (patch bundle # MROB2_SEC_A100440) I.A.W. AWIPS Software Installation Instruction Note 44.
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A sample EMRS report is provided as attachment A.

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Attachment A - EMRS Report Sample

Attachment A - Sample EMRS Report

